

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 793

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A RESOLUTION to memorialize the Congress of the United States to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution relative to the application of laws to citizens and Senators and Representatives and to submit such constitutional amendment to the several states for ratification.

WHEREAS, under Article V of the Constitution of the United States, amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by the Congress whenever two-thirds (2/3) of both houses deems it necessary; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That this General Assembly memorializes the Congress of the United States to propose the following language as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States and to submit such amendment to the several states for proper ratification:

"Article of Amendment__.

Except as may be permitted under Article I, Section 6, with respect to laws enacted by Congress under Article I, Section 8, Congress shall make no law that applies to the citizens of the United States that does not apply equally to the Senators and Representatives; and Congress shall make no law that applies to Senators and Representatives that does not apply equally to the citizens of the United States.

This article shall apply to Federal laws enacted on or after one year after the date of ratification of this article of amendment."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of the Tennessee Congressional delegation are urged to introduce an appropriate resolution in the Congress of the United States to effectuate the request of this General Assembly and to work with their congressional colleagues from the several states to ensure the necessary majority to send the amendment to the states for ratification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Vice President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.; the Honorable Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.; and to each member of the United States Senate and House of Representatives from Tennessee.